Application Number: 09/662,219 Confirmation Number: 9436 **REQUEST FOR** CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) Filing Date: September 14, 2000 TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor: Kei YOSHIKAWA Address to: Group Art Unit: 2624 Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents Examiner: Samir Anwar AHMED P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Attorney Docket Number: 04329.2409-00 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment. a.

Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____ i. ii. DO NOT ENTER the amendment(s) previously filed on ______. An alternate submission is attached. i. \square Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement Other _ ii. П Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.) Other _____ 3. Fees The filing fee is calculated as follows: \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) i. ii. \boxtimes Petition for Extension of Time for 3 Months (\$1,020.00) iii. Other ____ b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$1810.00 enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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